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		ion of the above-identified application that was be used as the copy for examination purposes.

See the attached Translator's Verification; or The undersigned states that the English translation attached hereto is a true and correct translation of the application as originally filed in a foreign language. Attached are - sheet(s) of drawings. Please substitute these replacement drawings for the corresponding - sheet(s) of drawings on file in the above-identified application. П Attached are substitute claims commencing on a separate sheet in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.75(h). П Attached is a substitute abstract commencing on a separate sheet in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.72(b). Attached is a substitute specification that complies with 37 C.F.R. § 1.52. The substitute specification does not contain new matter. П Attached is a preliminary amendment. П Applicant claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27. П Attached is a Supplemental Application Data Sheet (ADS). \boxtimes Submitted concurrently herewith under separate cover for recording is an Assignment. П Attached is a Petition for Extension of Time. \boxtimes The Government Filing Surcharge for late filing of oath and/or declaration in the amount of \$130.00 in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.494 and 1.492 was previously paid for concurrently with the filing of the application on July 14, 2006.

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- Preliminary Amendments filed on 07/14/2006
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 10/16/2006
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 07/14/2006
- Priority Documents filed on 07/14/2006

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 Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.

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